MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI: പണമുണ്ടാകുന്നതുപോലെ ചെയ്യുന്നതാണ്.

Sub-Assistant Surgeon of the Neyyattinkara Hospital.

31. *MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the present Sub-Assistant Surgeon of the Neyyattinkara Hospital was posted there;

(*b*) when he took charge there;

(*c*) how many times he has since been sent on special duty and where; and

(*d*) whether they are aware that, consequently the efficiency of the hospital and the treatment of the patients suffer considerably?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE (*Ag. Darbar Physician*): (*a*) and (*b*) 21-1-1109.

(*c*) He was not sent on special duty; but was sent on relief duty on three occasions, once to the District Dispensary, Perumkadavila and twice to the District Hospital, Parassala.

(*d*) No.

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI: മി. കോലപ്പപിള്ള ഇരുന്നകാലത്തെ സംഗതിയാണോ ഞാൻ ചോദിച്ചത്?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE: അതുകൊണ്ടാണോ പറഞ്ഞത് ഇപ്പോഴത്തെയാൾ അവിടെ പോയിട്ടു കൊല്ലമാകുന്നതേയുള്ളൂ.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: With reference to the answer to part (*d*), may I know what is meant when it is said that the efficiency did not suffer?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE: Did the efficiency of the treatment suffer, was the question and the answer was that the efficiency of the treatment did not suffer. The officer in charge may have had some difficulty but the patients did not suffer.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: May I know from the member whether the same number of persons were treated during the absence of the Assistant?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE: I cannot say that. For, the number of patients will vary from day to day. I do not know the exact number of patients that were treated there during that period.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: So, may I take it that all the patients were properly attended to by the single officer during the absence of the Assistant?

MRS. M. POONEN LUKOSE: Yes.

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